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MISCELLANEOUS.

LOST in Howth Train, about a week ago. Six Small Charms on pieces of gold wire, value to owner, £1 reward.—Z 4219. Lost.

FRANCIS CHARLES OSBORNE, deceased.
All persons indebted to, or having claim against the estate of Francis Charles Osborne, late of Smithfield, Dublin, Esquire, who died on the 6th day of January, 1919, are requested to make known to Messrs. FALLS & CO., Solicitors to the Administrator, within the 1st of February, 1919.

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20th January, 1919.

NOTICE.

To-morrow (Tuesday) it will be open as follows:

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS.

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TO-DAY.

BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE
PROPRIETORS OF THE TIMES.)

THE KAISER'S GUILT.

Those who said, observes *The Times*, that the guilt and punishment of the Kaiser was a mere electioneering cry, without sincerity and without foundation, in jurisprudence, are answered sufficiently by the fact which is that the King has given to these questions in the work of the Conference. If the Kaiser is punishable, international law has acquired a real legal status, and a beginning has been made with what, after all, is the most important work of the Conference. That business is not to effect certain international adjustments, or even primarily to satisfy certain national aspirations. It is to substitute the rule of law in international affairs for the rule of force, and the legal punishment of the Kaiser would be a formal inauguration of the rule of law in international affairs which attend a trial which is unique. That, we imagine, is what Mr. Clemenceau has put this question of the Kaiser's guilt and punishment in the very forefront of the work of the Conference. The personal responsibility of the Kaiser to the French Committee of Safety of the French Foreign Ministry is a question of the scientific severity of its investigations seeks to establish, partly by the legal position of the trial Kaiser in the German State system, partly by a remarkable letter from the Kaiser to the late Emperor Francis Joseph, written in the early days of the war. In this letter the Kaiser definitely assumes personal responsibility for methods of terrorism, and there can be no question of his agents having acted without his full approval, for the terms of the letter would justify crimes even more wholesale than were committed in France. The right to settle such questions would be a logical conclusion of the new League of Nations, it is set up.

THE EMPIRE AND THE CONFERENCE.

It is interesting to note, though the Political Correspondent of *The Times* in Paris, that the Secretariat of the British Foreign Department assumed its true Imperial character by the inclusion of a representative of each Dominion. This is an innovation rendered possible by the strong stand made for the status of the Dominions in the League of Nations. There is no reason why it should disappear with the Conference, and indeed the enforced division of the British Government at this moment—War or Imperial Cabinet, virtually complete in Paris, as the London Cabinet is in London—will probably be right also be perpetuated as a definite step in the right direction. It is the only true remedy for Cabinets which are either overgrown or overburdened.

SINN FEIN AND LABOUR.

In a despatch from Cork, *The Times* Special Correspondent writes—While in Dublin and the surrounding parts of the West, the Sinn Fein leaders were swept aside by the Labour men, who look on Labour as the "rock in the road" for Sinn Fein. Not that the Irish Labour Party has any objection either to the same or to the thing. Irish Labour is a movement and a work, but it is not a party. Sinn Fein, however, is still to be accounted for.

The French are truly a wonderful people, and what they have suffered is a tragedy. The war would seem incredible that not even the German canes were thundering almost in the ears of Paris. A shell from one of the long-range German guns was fished out of the sea a few days ago, and was lying on the quays, and a grim reminder of the day which are fortunately gone, let it be hoped, for ever. In spite of the terrible agonies of France, her country now smiles as of old, and all the French who have suffered have been buried under the ruins of the great machine which set out to destroy her, but failed.

The French leaders have now openly declared their sympathies with Bolshevism. This, of course, is bound to bring them sooner or later into conflict with the Church as well as with Sinn Fein, who are, however, far from avoiding the mistake made by the Venetian, who called down the thunder of the Hierarchy. Even at the late election there were symptoms of cleavage, although those were smoothed over for the moment.

THE NEW WAR BONDS.

After remarking that the new issue of National War Bonds to be offered on February 1st might have had a different title with advantage, and with verbal propriety, *The Times* points out that the real yield on them, for the pensioners, the savings bank, and the Committee on the basis of the new rates, namely, 54 per cent. This is actually more favourable to investors than the return obtainable now on purchases of the Five per cent. War Loan. If any criticism is to be made, it is that the Government might have given a little more latitude in the shape of a concession that the Press should be granted representation when one remembers that it is generally decided to exclude journalists altogether.

The fifteen representatives are to be divided amongst the Allied Powers—each of the four great Powers, America, France, Italy, and the British Empire. The British, however, have increased their interest in the loan, and the accounts of the new issue of the Joint Stock Bank deposit rates to 3 per cent., the accounts now being issued by the Bank of England, are to be paid in the first half, and in its second half their deposit interest increased more largely than in the first half. Both these facts point to the capital security, and not the interest, being the attraction.

THE DEMOBILISATION QUESTION.

The Times Parliamentary Correspondent says—it is understood that Mr. Bonar Law is returning to Paris to try to persuade the Government to accept the demobilisation scheme for to-day. There are hopes that a final settlement of the demobilisation question will be reached at the meeting. A warning has already been given that this will be one of the first subjects to be raised in debate on the Address when Parliament assembles.

GENERAL SIR A. G. MONTGOMERY MOORE.

General Sir Alexander George Montgomery Moore, K.C.B., died at Worthydown on November 14 at 11.45. A descendant of Nelson, he was born in 1852. The son of Mr. Alexander Montgomery Moore of Garsby, Hants, Co. Tyrone, he was educated at Eton, and entered the 7th Dragoon Guards in 1850. He served on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief in Ireland from 1852 to 1855, and on the staff of the 16th Dragoon Guards from 1855 to 1860. He was Assistant Adjutant-General, Dublin District, from 1860 to 1862, and Colonel of the 18th Hussars from 1862 to 1864. In 1864 he was appointed to Aldershot, and remained in that district until 1869, when he was promoted to the rank of Major. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in 1870, and to the rank of Colonel in 1872. Two years later he became G.O.C. in Canada, and he was G.O.C. at Aldershot from 1890 to 1900. During the European war he has been acting as a member of a general staff in India, and in doing so has worked in a number of his former posts. He was married in 1867 Jane, daughter of the late Field-Marshal Lord Seaton.

DEATH OF DR. E. A. W. HENLEY.

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DISPOSAL OF STANDARD SHIPS.

FOR USE IN PRIVATE TRADE.

Negotiations have been in progress for some time between the Minister of Shipping and a representative of the shipowners, with a view to making available the large block of standard tonnage now under construction. The position is that the shipowners are to be given the right to complete with such modifications as the design of the ships may be needed to adapt them to the private trade, and the arrangement comes to the point of a loan of the tonnage in the event of loss of tonnage taken over. This tonnage will comprise all ships over 375 tons in length under construction, and will consist of a number of oil tankers, fabricated ships, and tankers which have already been disposed of. The tonnage will be available for private use, and will be furnished

NEW PEERS AND PRIVY COUNCILLORS.

The King has been pleased to approve that the dignity of a Peerage of the United Kingdom be conferred upon the following:—The Right Hon. Andrew Weir, Secretary of State for India; the Right Hon. S. P. Sinclair, Under-Secretary of State for India; the Right Hon. Andrew Weir, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries; the Right Hon. Andrew Weir, Minister of Munitions; and the Right Hon. S. P. Sinclair, Under-Secretary of State for India.

The King has been pleased to appoint that the Right Hon. Sir L. Worthington Evans, Bart., M.P., Minister of Pensions; Sir Andrew Evans, M.P., Minister of Munitions; Sir R. S. Horne, M.P., Minister of Labour.

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